
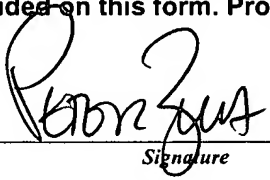
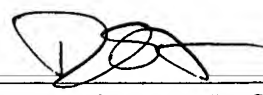


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Invention: <b>SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MULTI-SITE CLUSTERING IN A NETWORK</b>						
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 15, 2005 , Applicant provides the following remarks:

**Listing of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.